s17 Geometric Series Exam (EXAM v391)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a=402, common ratio $r=\left(\frac{27}{67}\right)^{1/10}$, and n=10 terms.

$$S \ = \ 402 + 367.08 + 335.18 + 306.06 + 279.47 + 255.19 + 233.02 + 212.78 + 194.29 + 177.41$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS \ = \ 367.08 + 335.18 + 306.06 + 279.47 + 255.19 + 233.02 + 212.78 + 194.29 + 177.41 + 162$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 4 + 4(5) + 4(5)^{2} + 4(5)^{3} + \cdots + 4(5)^{49} + 4(5)^{50} + 4(5)^{51} + 4(5)^{52}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.